

HCS HB 3111 -- PROFESSIONAL SURETY BAIL BOND AGENTS (Phelps)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Professional  
Registration and Licensing

Currently, bail bondsmen are regulated by the Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI). This bill puts bail bondsmen under the regulatory authority of the Board of Private Investigators and Private Fire Investigator Examiners within the Division of Professional Registration.

The Board's name will be changed to the "Board of Private Investigators, Private Fire Investigators, and Professional Surety Bail Bond Agents" (Board). The bill adds three members to the Board who have been actively engaged in the general bail bond business or surety recovery for the previous five years.

This bill repeals the maximum amount the Board can charge for fees.